Browning said that the freshman-on-campus rule, except for commuters from home, would not be lifted. He said that if the situation becomes worse than the third level overcrowding can handle, some freshmen would have to be temporarily housed in Ashdown until spaces opened up (which eventually would occur).

One outstanding point for improvement in the area of coed housing. Only 41 women selected McCormick as their first choice, but since McCormick must be kept full, 36 other women were assigned there who indicated a coed (or cheaper) housing. Only 41 women selected McCormick, or some

part thereof, into a coed living group. This brings to light an old controversy. The residents of McCormick voted in a house meeting last year to go coed, but respecting the wishes of a highly vocal minority, McCormick remained a place lived in and controlled solely by women. Their highly justifiable argument is that women at MIT should have the option of an all-female environment. But, as the trend toward coed preferences continues to grow stronger in successive freshmen classes, the tradeoff between such an option and the satisfaction of the residents who live there against their will becomes highly questionable. Perhaps the dissenting MIT women will have to forego this option in favor of changing times and preferences.

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Dean Browning also noted that plans concerning new undergraduate housing at MIT were in the very initial stages of internal discussion. These arrangements might proceed along different lines than the existing suite and entry style of MacGregor, the apartment style of Burton and Ashdown, or the traditional styles of Baker, East Campus, and Senior House.